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SUBJ: GOG DENIES STORIES NAMING FOCCART AS PRESIDENT BONGO'S
ADVISOR

1. SECRETARY OF STATE TO THE PRESIDENCY IN CHARGE OF INFORMATION
AND NATIONAL GUIDANCE NGUEMA MADE OFFICIAL STATEMENT NOV 11
DENYING THAT FORMER FRENCH SECRETARY GENERAL AT PRESIDENCY
FOCCART IS OR WAS EVER AN ADVISOR TO PRESIDENT BONGO.

2. NGUEMA STRESSED THAT ALL FOREIGN ADVISORS TO PRESIDENT BONGO
ACT IN THIS CAPACITY OFFICIALLY AND RESIDE IN LIBREVILLE WHERE
THEY CAN BE SEEN AND KNOWN BY EVERYONE. NGUEMA EXPLAINED
OFFICIAL GOG DENIAL DESIGNED END SPECULATION INSTIGATED IN
CERTAIN FOREIGN CIRCLES BY THE PRESENCE OF FOCCART AT GABONESE
INDEPENDENCE DAY CEREMONIES IN KOULAMOUTOU LAST AUGUST. FOCCART
ATTENDED CEREMONIES AS "A FRIEND OF BONGO" AND AS MAYOR OF
LUZARCHES WHICH IS A SISTER CITY WITH MOANDA.

3. DENIAL STATEMENT ALSO NOTED PRESIDENT BONGO AND ALL FOCCART'S
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GABONESE FRIENDS WOULD NOT COPY CERTAIN CHIEFS OF STATE WHO

CLAIMED FOCCART'S FRIENDSHIP WHEN HE WAS POWERFUL BUT REJECT HIM
NOW THAT HE NO LONGER HAS AN OFFICIAL POSITION.

4. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT.
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